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In re the Application of: Suong-Hyu HYON et al.

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Examiner: T. Nguyen

For:

ULTRA HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE MOLDED ARTICLE FOR ARTIFICIAL JOINTS AND METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAMPECEIVED

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

GROUP 3300 Date: February 6, 1998

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 6, 1997 for a three month Extension of Time from November 6, 1997 to February 6, 1998 (a Petition for Extension of Time for one month has already been paid).

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$840.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. Two copies of this paper are enclosed herewith.

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